

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An information processing apparatus ~~connected through a network to a server for providing~~ managing a first service of distributing contents of a first terminal in real time according to a reservation made in advance by the first terminal, and, to a second terminal ~~[[for]]~~ requesting the use of the first service and the use of a second service of providing a chat space, comprising:

an acquiring unit configured to acquire reservation information, sent by the first terminal, to the information processing apparatus from a reservation data base in order to provide the first service;

a generation means for generating unit configured to generate the chat space corresponding to the reservation at a predetermined time prior to a distribution start time designated by the reservation; and

a providing means for providing unit configured to provide the chat space to the first terminal with the chat space and the second terminal designated to be distributed by the first terminal.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): An information processing apparatus according to Claim 1,

wherein the generation ~~means generates the chat space a predetermined time before a distribution start time obtained according to the reservation and~~ unit deletes the chat space a predetermined time after a distribution end time.

Claim 3 (Original): An information processing method for an information processing apparatus ~~connected through a network to a server for providing a first service of distributing contents in real time according to a reservation made in advance and to a terminal for requesting the use of the first service and the use of a second service of providing a chat space~~ managing a first service of distributing contents of a first terminal in real time according to a reservation made in advance by the first terminal, and, to a second terminal requesting the use of the first service and the use of a second service of providing a chat space, comprising:

acquiring reservation information, sent by the first terminal, to the information processing apparatus from a reservation data base in order to provide the first service;

a generating step of generating the chat space corresponding to the reservation at a predetermined time prior to a distribution start time designated by the reservation; and,

a providing step of providing the chat space to the first terminal with the chat space and the second terminal designated to be distributed by the first terminal.

Claim 4 (Original): A recording medium storing a computer-readable program for an information processing apparatus ~~connected through a network to a server for providing a first service of distributing contents in real time according to a reservation made in advance and to a terminal for requesting the use of the first service and the use of a second service of providing a chat space,~~ the program managing a first service of distributing contents of a first terminal in real time according to a reservation made in advance by the first terminal, and, to a second terminal requesting the use of the first service and the use of a second service of providing a chat space, comprising:

acquiring reservation information, sent by the first terminal, to the information processing apparatus from a reservation data base in order to provide the first service;

a ~~generating step~~ of generating the chat space corresponding to the reservation at a predetermined time prior to a distribution start time designated by the reservation; and,

a ~~providing step~~ of providing the chat space to the first terminal with the chat space and the second terminal designated to be distributed by the first terminal.

Claim 5 (Original): A ~~program for an information processing apparatus connected through a network to a server for providing a first service of distributing contents in real time according to a reservation made in advance and to a terminal for requesting the use of the first service and the use of a second service of providing a chat space, the program making a computer execute processing~~ computer readable carrier including computer program instructions to cause a computer to implement a method of managing a first service of distributing contents of a first terminal in real time according to a reservation made in advance by the first terminal, and, to a second terminal requesting the use of the first service and the use of a second service of providing a chat space, comprising:

acquiring reservation information, sent by the first terminal, to the information processing apparatus from a reservation data base in order to provide the first service;

a ~~generating step~~ of generating the chat space corresponding to the reservation at a predetermined time prior to a distribution start time designated by the reservation; and,

a ~~providing step~~ of providing the chat space to the first terminal with the chat space and the second terminal designated to be distributed by the first terminal.